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### Elks Gladden Many Children

Thursday evening the Elks brought gladnes sinto the hearts of over four Methodist church Sunday evening hundred children, besides grownups was one of the most finished of its hundred dollars' worth of presents Hymn No. 107, followed by prayer

ter Hal Wolf came out before the breathing the spirit of the evening. open fireplace and the big Christmas | The cantata, "Star of the East,"

son and G. Clifford Jenkins officated rector. in this capacity. The first present red candy, an "all day sucker."

Then for an hour and a half pres- the interior. ents were given out to the kiddies. who stood up in their eagerness to see and to receive. Over four hun- should come to your house? Good dred presents were given out. The insurance costs only a little money, merry laughter and coolings over the but you have to buy it before the fire, different gifts were a pleasure to Now is your time. See Billings.

Eight hundred and twenty were seated in the Vining on this occa- Exams Given sion, the largest crowd that has ever been in the theatre. The little folks, who occupied all of the downstairs space, were doubled up two in a seat in some cases.

The general committee which had charge of the entertainment was rapher and typewriter examinations composed of J. E. Thornton, Frank will be held in a number of cities in Jordan, I. E. Vining, E. T. Staples this state as follows: Departmental and W. E. Newcombe. Mrs. C. H. and Panama canal service, January Vaupel was chairman of a committee 26, 1915; field service, February 20, of ladies. Prof. Vining had charge 1915. of the decorating.

# **Brown Lauds**

Roseburg Review: That Deputy this morning by District Attorney formation. George M. Brown. "If I were to choose two game wardens, Mr. Hubbard would have been one of my se- Stock Yards lections," said the district attorney. "He was quiet, fearless and believed in enforcing the laws. I have had considerable experience with game wardens during my career as district attorney, and I always found Mr. Hubbard a man in whom you could impose trust. In his death the state of Oregon has lost one of its best officials."

District Attorney Brown had known Mr. Hubbard personally for a number of years, and through business day the run has been below normal dealings they had been brought close together upon a number of occasions, No one in Oregon regrets the death | Monday with a run of nearly 6,000. trict Attorney Brown.

### Harry H. Hosler **Good Decorator**

Harry Hosler, the popular proprietor of the Euwana cigar store, has one of the most novel and ingenious windows that has been arranged in the city for some time.

window, sees a glassy pool, and down good that Orres will continue them in the clear depths there hovers a for two more weeks. Remember, big trout. A dirt bottom to the pool values up to \$30 for \$19.50, is also depicted. The spectator then investigates more thoroughly and sees that the pool is a mirror and & the fish is suspended in air above it, & while still farther above is a slab coated with dirt and sand. The whole represents a good deal of planning and ingenuity.

Do You Stutter? Details for stamp in plain sealed envelope. Home treatment. Desk 6, National School of Training, Seattle, Wash.

Green stamps at Orres' shop.

#### **Methodist Concert Attracts Crowds**

The sacred concert given at the who looked on at the fun. Some kind. The program opened with were given away to the little ones. and the anthem, "While Shepherds The first part of the evening was Watched," by the choir. Mr. Stratpassed with some amusing reels of ton next sang "The Angel's Mespictures, and to hear the siren laugh- sage," a beautiful song written by ter of the tiny tots was worth a dol- Louis R. Gressler. Next in order lar to see. Later Professor Vining came a quintet, "The Christmas Mesannounced that he has received word sage," sung by Miss Engle and the from Santa Claus that the jolly old Messrs, McGee, Howell, McGee and saint would soon arrive. The breath- Ewer. Mrs. Charles Wolf favored less hush that fell over the children the audience with a well-rendered was childlessly ludicrous. Then Mas- solo, "Salve Regina," a noble piece

trees and spoke "The Night Before was a series of exquisite numbers, Christmas." Every word and line of in which Miss Engle, Mrs. McGee, Dr. his piece, though familiar to all, was Tilton, D. D. Norris, Harrison Howeagerly taken in by the youthful ell, Mr. Ewer, Mrs. Wolf and Mr. Stratton took prominent parts with Then, wonder of all wonders, with great credit to themselves. The a jingle of sleigh bells and tramping chorus work was especially appreciof feet, in stepped two frosty beard- ated by the hearers, there seeming to ed Santas, much surprising the chil- be a perfect blending of harmonious dren, who did not know that there notes. Mrs. Van Fossen acted as orwere brother Santas. George Wat- ganist and Howard E. Ewer as di-

The church was crowded to standpulled off the tree was for Eddie Sta- ing room with an appreciative audiples, and was a big stick of striped ence. Decorations fitting to the Christmastide were arranged about

Would you be protected if the fire

# Cival Service

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that stenog-

Both men and women will be admitted to the departmental and field service examinations. Men only will be admitted to the Panama canal service examination. There are excellent chances of appointment for those who pass the departmental examination,

Applicants should apply to the lo-Game Warden Arthur Hubbard, who cal secretary, board of civil service was late Thursday shot and killed examiners, postoffice building, this by Loris Martin on Trail creek, in city, or to the Secretary, Eleventh Jackson county, was one of the most Civil Service District, room 207, Postefficient and fearless officers in the office building, Seattle, Wash., for Net earning of light plant 1913... state, was the statement made here application blanks and further in-

# Market Report

Receipts for the week at Portland: Cattle 638, calves 9, hogs 7,122, sheep 2,469.

The cattle market opened up for the week very actively. Good quality of offerings was in evidence, choice steers going as high as \$7.75. Cows touched the \$6.60 level. Since Monwith good demand.

A very keen hog market started of Mr. Hubbard more than does Dis- tops bringing \$7.50. This market has maintained its supremacy in price over all other American mar kets for some time.

With the exception of Monday' run the receipts continue light. The market on all classes of sheep i good and killers take all offerings property at the rate of one-tenth readily. Shipping to the market could be materially increased without any decline in price.

The \$19.50 specials in men's tail-The casual observer, looking in the ored-to-your-measure suits were so

Leave a box of Crowson's

with your New Year's card,

# Special Springs Edition

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The issue of Thursday, December 31, will be a special springs edition, will contain no news features, but will be highly illustrated and deal exclusively with the Rogue River Valley as a tourist

The regular edition delivered to subscribers will be printed on the same class of paper as the regular edition of the Tidings, while a large number of extra copies, for loreign circulation, will be printed on high-class book paper and be sold at 50 cents the dozen, mailed by us from this office if desired,

The edition will carry no local ads. It is not issued for profit, but with the view of producing a clean, neat medium setting forth the attractive features of southern Oregon as a tourist country, with special reference to the environment of Ashland and the mineral springs development.

Every citizen should take enough interest in this forward movement to send away at least one dozen of this issue.

Leave your order, by telephone if you choose, before Thursday so we may know how many extras to print.

# Financial Comparison of City

Following is the bonded statement of the city up to December 23, 1914. By comparison with the financial statement issued by the city recorder last July it will be seen that the indebtedness of the city is being rapidly reduced by the payment of installment bonds. It is an interesting comparison.

The total debt now, including the auxiliary water bonds, is \$382,-776.86, as against \$394.692.25 on July 25 last. Thus it is shown that the city debt has been reduced \$11,915.39 since the 25th of last July. Beside this the special improvement debt has been reduced from \$182,316.64 down to \$152,779.95; in other words, \$29,536.69 has been

paid on the paving debt since July 25, 1914. The city now owes \$41,452.08 less than it did last July. That is reducing indebtedness pretty fast. If continued for seven years at the same rate the city would be entirely out of debt.

#### WATER BONDS,

Issue July 1, 1905, 4½%, due July 1, 1920 Issued July 1, 1909, 5% Paid July 1, 1913\$	5 000 00	\$50,000.00	\$ 23,000.	00
Paid July 1, 1914	5.000.00 4.963.44	14,963.44	35,036	.56
\$5,000 falls due on the first day of July, 1915 and 1916.				

Balance of \$30,000 due 1929. Net earning of water plant 1913,

These water bonds being paid out of profits from plant.

Installment bonds being retired

#### ELECTRIC LIGHT BONDS.

е і		70.707	
	Issued September 1, 1908, 4 1/2 % Due annually, beginning September 1, 1910, \$2,500.	\$50,000.00	
	Paid annual installments 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914. \$12,500.00 Cash in sinking fund 5,368.8		32,131.16
8	Issued January 1, 1919, interest 4 ½ %, due 1930, optional after		
ı	ten years from date		30,000.00
	1930, optional after July 1, 1920		25,000.00
1	Net earning of light plant 1913	11,874.45	

# out of plant earnings,

	MISCELLANEOUS BONDS TO BE MET BY	DIRECT I	EVY.
	Payable in installments of one-tenth Street intersection, original issue\$80,000.00	each year.	
	Outstanding at this date Septic tank bonds, original issue 12,000.00	\$45,000.00	
	Outstanding at this date Fire protection bonds, original issue 6,000.00	6,000.00	
	Outstanding at this date	5,000.00	
	issue	13,000.00	
	Less cash on hand in sinking funds	\$69,000.00 6,390.86	62,609.1
	Total bonded indebtedness this date		\$207,776.8
	Auxiliary water bonds now offered		\$175,000.0
	Total bonded debt including this issue		\$382,776.8
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#### SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

n r-	Lien against abutting property.	
's	Total outstanding at this date Less cash on hand in improvement sinking fund	\$170,786.27 18,006.32
ie is	Net special improvement debt	\$152,779.95
15	ment assessment against abutting	

each year. The city of Ashland has never defaulted in interest or principal.

I, C, H, Gillette, the duly elected, qualified and acting Recorder of the city of Ashland, Oregon, hereby certify that the above is a true and complete statement of the bonded debt of the city of Ashland, Oregon, and that the said city has no warrant indebtedness

C. H. GILLETTE, Recorder.

Ashland, Oregon, December 23, 19	14.
Population, 1910 census	5,020
Population, 1914 (estimated)	6,000
Assessed valuation, 1913	
Assessed valuation, 1914	3,030,875,00

Digest of Financial Statement. on profit-making utilities (present per cent of the taxable valuation. water system and electric light

|\$237,609.86, against a taxable valu-

The first installment of \$25,000 \* home during the year 1915. plant), now outstanding in the sum of the present issue falls due July . This applies as well to friends . the company will have 1,500 electriof \$145,167, and which are being 1, 1924. By that time installment @ and strangers as to members of @ cal horsepower, and it is understood retired in installments as they fall retirements out of the earnings of his family. We are determined that should the city of Medford due out of the earnings of the plants, the old water plant will amount to \* to speak only kind words of \* award the company the contract for the total debt of the city, including \$35,036.56, by the electric light & others this year or hold our \* furnishing electric current in wholethis issue, which is a direct obliga- plant to \$32,131.16, and by general @ peace. tion of the city, to be liquidated by tax levy in installment payments on . direct tax levy, amounts to a total of (Continued on Page Five.)

## Bonanza Victim Of Many Fires

For the fourth time in the last was covered by insurance.

eat before they noticed smoke and ever, flames coming from the mill and be- It is thought that the blaze started fore aid could be given the building from a defective flue, as Mr. White, had tumbled in and soon was wholly after returning from Gold Hill, had consumed, excepting the machinery, built a fire and during his absence The fire is believed to have started of about an hour it started and from the dynamo and other electric gained headway, so that when he re-

Probably not even ancient Rome, working away at it, which was incessantly harassed by Strickland was the only volunteer hostile tribes of barbarians, suffered fireman on the job throughout the has the little four-leaf clover town Mowat helped the firemen. the hand of fate.

how such a favor is appreciated.

# Rosarians Come

The Royal Rosarians of Portland will come through Ashland Tuesday evening on the 4:50 train, No. 15. Four special cars will be attached for the excursionists, of which there are about one hundred. Secretary Seager has notified us that everyone who can possibly do so is urged to go to the station to meet them. Bottles of "Ashland beer" will be distributed among the visitors. The train stays here twenty minutes, as

fair. Remember, take your auto or that they had ever seen. shanks horses and be at the station

### New Year Will Be Celebrated

New Year will no doubt be fittingly celebrated in Ashland this year, with dances, watches, etc. At the Vining a special prpogram will be given, of vaudeville and fine photoplays. The Elks lodge will give their big New Year's ball, at which some two hundred or over of the elite will find joy in seeing the new year in.

Reports have come to us of several watch parties that will take place that night. Some little talk among people interested in church activities has been to the effect that there may be a joint night service by a few of the churches, and to have at that time talks and prayer services, to pass time away, while perhaps refreshments may be an item that could be used on the program.

On Christmas morning there was numbers.

## HOME.

en by one of another in this already contracted.

#### Fire Damage Is Over \$1,300

A fire occurred on Mountain avfour years and a half the town of enue, near East Main street, last Bonanza suffered a severe fire last evening, at which a bungalow belong-Saturday when the big flour mill op- ing to H. L. White burned irreperated by Warren and Merle Kilgore arably. The loss was over \$1,300, burned to the ground, says the Klam- which was the amount that the furath Northwestern. The mill cost niture and structure were insured \$14,000 and only a small part of this for. The alarm was telephoned in by a Tidings employe, who saw the All day Saturday the mill was busy flames from a distance. The fire grinding flour and at about 6 o'clock truck made a good run and was on those operating it went home for din- the job in a very few minutes. The ner. They had hardly sat down to fire was under big headway, how-

turned he found the fire department

worse fate at the hands of fire than fire. Kenneth McWilliams and Lynn

of Bonanza. It was in May, 1910. Last night's fire showed up the inwhen over half the city fell before efficiency of the volunteer system, onrushing flames, and twice since unless it is properly regulated. The then large portions of the town have city has no slickers or coats for the been swept away. Had these three volunteers to wear, and to go to a fires not occurred Bonanza probably fire is to do several dollars' worth of now would be three times its present damage to clothes. It is probable size, but the rebuilding has lacked that this matter will be brought up much of equaling the work done by at next council meeting and the necessary clothes protection will be bought. While seventy-five cents an To help make your paper better, hour is paid to the volunteers, yet phone in little items whenever they that has not compensated for the come to your mind. You don't know drenching and soiling of volunteer firemen's wearing apparel.

Those now on the volunteer list are A. L. Strickland, H. O. Butterfield, G. C. Jenkins, M. B. Robison, Dave Sargeant, O. E. Deibert, Sam Tuesday Evening Jordan, J. E. Crowson and Louis

> Insurance on the bungalow was carried with the Billings Agency.

Clif Payne makes snow shovels.

## **Exceptional Vining** Holiday Feature

Friday and Saturday nights The Spoilers was again presented to the usual, and will give ample time for Ashland public. Friday night the the shaking of hands and friendly theatre was crowded to its utmost cagreetings. Every live citizen ought pacity, about half of them being peoto be present and exchange words of ple that had seen the film before greeting with the Portland delega- when it was here, but wanted to witness it again. Saturday night the The Royal Rosarians will dedicate theatre was again crowded, many the Oregon building at the exposition coming again and bringing new ones, and from thence go south to San Everyone pronounced it to be the Diego to attend the opening of that most gripping, red-blood photoplay

The management of the theatre platform tomorrow evening at 4:50. can well take credit to themselves for the splendid photodramas that they have presented.

> In March The Silver Horde will be released and played at the Vining. The Silver Horde is the sequel to The Spoilers, and in it Cherry Malotte, that noble girl of the Alaskan camps, finds her true lover, and the little scar which mars the ending of The Spoilers is eradicated.

Tuesday night only the Passion Play will be presented. It promises to be exceptional, as it is a color production, and the effects are very beautiful. This film will interest all the people of the churches, and it is hoped that many children will be present to gain a clearer and better idea of some of the vital teachings of the Bible than they have ever known

### Electric Plant At Gold Hill

The Rogue River Public Service a service at the Congregational corporation has shipped two cars of church. A splendid sermon was de- water turbines from their supply livered by the paster and special mu- yard at their Sanders plant, just east sic was given. Mrs. Roy Walker and of Grants Pass, to their Gold Hill Mr. Percy Stratton both sang solo plant, of which they are now increasing the capacity.

This shipment consists of three Dowling turbines, with a capacity of upwards of 400 horsepower each, and to be used in the new installation at Gold Hill, which is being made at this time, for the purpose of caring After deducting the bonds based ation of \$3,030,875, or less than 71/2 . No unkind word will be spok- of for electric power which they have

With this installation completed \* sale quantities for the lighting of Medford, an additional unit of 2,000 horsepower will be installed at once.